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FODAG
PASS AID FOR GILLIGAN
GENEVA FOR MEISSNER

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EAGR, EFIN, FAO
SUBJECT: IFAD: REVISED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR DEC. 12

1. FOLLOWING IS REVISED SCHEDULE FOR IFAD DEC. 12:

8:30 USDEL MTG AT FODAG, CONFERENCE ROOM AT EMBASSY ANNEX

9:15 DEL MEMBERS PARTICIPATING IN CATEGORY I MTG LEAVE FOR
CONFERENCE SITE (EUR - CENTRO CONGRESSI)

10:00 CATEGORY 8: ROOM H (EUR)

1045 GOV. GILLIGAN ARRIVAL (MET BY U.S. REP TO IFAD,
JOHN BAKER)

1200 OR 2:30 CALL ON FAO DG SAOUMA (GOV. GILLIGAN AND
BAKER) - (SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION)

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1500 INFORMAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

1930 ARRIVAL OF DEP ASST SECY MEISSNER (MET BY DEPREP
TO IFAD HIGGINSON)

2030 DINNER AT RESTAURANT FOR GOV. GILLIGAN BY AMB. GARDNER

2. INTERSESSIONAL CHAIRMAN ALPEN AT CATEGORY I MEETING AT U.S. EMBASSY ON DEC 9 DISTRIBUTED AGENDA FOR INFORMAL 1500 H. MEETING OF IFAD GOVERNORS ON DECEMBER 12 WHICH LISTS FOLLOWING ITEMS:

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIRMEN

RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

RELATIONSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UN AND IFAD

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

PERSONNEL POLICIES MANUAL

3. WITH LAST MINUTE RATIFICATION, ALL CATEGORY I COUNTRIES WILL HAVE RATIFIED AGREEMENT WITH EXCEPTION OF SPAIN. A REPRESENTATIVE OF UNITED NATIONS, SZASZ, WILL BE IN ROME TO ACCEPT LAST MINUTE DEPOSITS OF RATIFICATION. AS OF DECEMBER 8 MISSING CATEGORY II RATIFICATIONS ARE ALGERIA, GABON, IRAN, IRAQ, QATAR, AND UAE. TWENTY-TWO COUNTRIES IN CATEGORY III HAVE NOT YET RATIFIED.
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4. CATEGORY I COUNTRIES BRIEFLY DISCUSSED UN/IFAD AGREEMENT AND 5TH COMMITTEE CANADIAN RESOLUTION BUT DECIDED TO WAIT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION BEFORE ARRIVING AT A COMMON POSITION AT MONDAY MEETING.

5. JAPAN RAISED QUESTION OF VALUE OF CONTRIBUTION DUE TO EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES. CATEGORY I AGREED THAT AMOUNTS ARE DETERMINED BY WORDING OF PLEDGE, BUT CALCULATION FOR VOTING RIGHTS WILL BE BASED ON SDR VALUES AS OF DATE OF COMING INTO FORCE OF AGREEMENT NOVEMBER 30.

6. CONSTITUENCIES - AUSTRIA WILL JOIN ITALY AND FRANCE IN ONE CONSTITUENCY IF SOLUTION CAN BE FOUND TO SATISFY JAPAN. HOWEVER, AUSTRALIA, N.Z. AND JAPAN INDICATED NO WILLINGNESS TO TAKE CANADA. ITALY AND FRANCE WERE WILLING TO TAKE SPAIN, BUT NOT CANADA. CANADA MADE IT CLEAR THAT IT SAW TWO SOLUTIONS - EITHER IT JOINED AUSTRALIA AND JAPAN WITH NZ JOINING UK/FRG OR THERE HAD TO BE GENERAL RECALCULATION OF GROUPS. BENELUX, NORDIC AND U.S. GROUP MADE CLEAR THEY WERE NOT BUDGING AND HAVE VOTES TO MAINTAIN THEIR GROUPS. THUS, ISSUE IS REALLY LIMITED TO SIX COUNTRIES - CANADA, JAPAN, AUSTRALIA, FRANCE, UK, FRG WITH SMALLER COUNTRIES, N.Z. AUSTRIA AND SPAIN FALLING IN LINE. MEETING ENDED WITHOUT SOLUTION

TO WHICH CONSTITUENCY TO ADD CANADA, BUT REALIZATION BY ALL THAT SOLUTION HAD TO BE REACHED ON MONDAY, DEC 12 BY FORMAL VOTING PROCEDURE IF NECESSARY. CHAIRMAN ALPEN ALSO APPEALED TO U.S. TO RECONSIDER ALLOWING CANADA TO SIT IN SEAT OF ALTERNATE TO U.S. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER. U.S. REP BAKER INDICATED NO CHANGE IN U.S. POSITION BUT AGREED TO RELAY ALPEN REQUEST (DESPITE FACT IT NOT AMONG CANADA'S PROPOSED SOLUTIONS).

7. COMMENT: FOR PARTICIPATION IN MORNING AND AFTERNOON MEETINGS, DEC. 12, USDEL WILL NEED TO HAVE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

(A) IS U.S. PREPARED, IF NO CLEAR SOLUTION AVAILABLE, TO SUGGEST THAT CANADA OCCUPY ALTERNATE DIRECTOR ROLE BEHIND U.S. DIRECTOR?
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(B) WHAT SORT OF RESPONSE BY IFAD TO CANADIAN 5TH COMMITTEE RESOLUTION DOES U.S. FAVOR; CLEAR COMMITMENT TO ACCEPT STATUTE OR STATEMENT THAT IT WILL CONSIDER ISSUE WITH A VIEW TO CONFORMING AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE WITH COMMON SYSTEM?

(C) WHAT IS U.S. POSITION ON BUDGET?GARDNER

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